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In re application of:

Juha Punnonen, et al.

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For: TARGETING OF GENETIC

VACCINE VECTORS

Examiner: Shin Lin Chen

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 5, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks. The following documents are enclosed herewith:

- 1) A marked up copy of the claims (Appendix A);
- 2) A courtesy copy of the pending claims (Appendix B);
- 3) A transmittal form; and
- 4) A fee transmittal form.

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims by substituting the following claims for the corresponding previously pending claims of the same number(s):